IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please AMEND the paragraph beginning at Line 15 on Page 50 of the specification as follows:

The classic object oriented view is that the definition of an object should encompass its state and its behavior. This design. On design, on the other hand, specifically and explicitly separates what can be considered behavior from the description. The question raised is - Why is this deemed necessary?

Please AMEND the paragraph beginning at Line 21 on Page 51 of the specification as follows:

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The separation of processing from the instrument class and a well defined processing mechanism mitigates this problem. If the model is adhered to, one can expect a new processing class to operate on all existing financial instruments as well <u>as</u> any new instruments. This means that if the interface needs to be extended one simply writes a new processor. This reduces the extension of the interface to a single development step as opposed to a series of steps that will get more difficult as the system grows.